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**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the Abstract of the invention with the following rewritten Abstract:

A reduction of the overall power loss in a resonance circuit is achieved by having excitation occur within excitation periods ( $T_{ex}$ ) of resonation periods ( $T_{fre}$ ), during which the resonance circuit is in a free running resonance mode, the excitation periods being smaller than the resonation periods, to define an excitation duty cycle ( $T_{ex}/T_{car}$ ) relative to the period of a carrier signal ( $T_{car}$ ) of less than 0.5. Preferably the resonance frequency ( $f_{res}$ ) of the resonance circuit is higher than the carrier frequency ( $f_{car}$ ) of the modulated high frequency carrier signal over a resonance frequency detuning rate ( $df_{res}$ ), defined by the frequency deviation of ~~said~~the resonance frequency from ~~said~~the carrier frequency relative to the carrier frequency ( $f_{res}/f_{car}-1$ ), substantially at most corresponding to half the excitation duty cycle.